

**RESOLUTION R-2014-24**  
**LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL**

*A Resolution by the Luzerne County Council Endorsing the Request of the Joint Governing Board of the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport that the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Commission a Study as to the Feasibility of a Regional Transportation Authority for Luzerne and Lackawanna Counties:*

WHEREAS, the Joint Governing Board of the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport adopted a Resolution endorsing the commission of a study by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to examine the feasibility of establishing a regional transportation authority on December 19, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Luzerne County believe that it is in the best interests to study the feasibility of forming a regional transportation authority to potentially merge and jointly govern the mass transportation services in a more efficient and cohesive manner; and

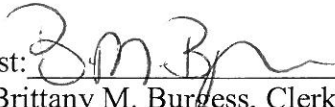
WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) has the capability and experience in undertaking such a study, and providing a report detailing the feasibility of such a joint authority;

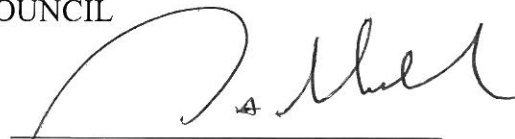
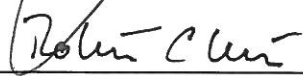
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the County Council of Luzerne County does hereby endorse the Resolution of the Joint Governing Board of the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport requesting that the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation commission a study to examine the feasibility of establishing a regional transportation authority, to encompass Luzerne, Lackawanna and other surrounding counties, with regard to the consolidation of air transportation, mass transit systems, rail systems and any and all other related transportation entities, with a view towards establishing a more cohesive and cost effective system(s) for the residents of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

This resolution shall become effective on March 26, 2014.

ADOPTED at a meeting of the Luzerne County Council held on March 25, 2014.

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

Attest:   
Brittany M. Burgess, Clerk of Council

By:   
Rick Morelli, Chairman  
  
Robert C. Lawton, County Manager